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News of Our Boys

Pte. Delbert Coffin was home on leave last week-end.

Lac Robt. Whiteley will report at Edmonton the end of this week for air crew training.

Clare Lukens' name appeared in the casualty list this week as having been wounded. He was on duty in Italy.

Peter Kozak, who has joined the Canadian Navy, has orders to report for training April 10th.

According to an announcement over the air 28 air training centres are going to be closed down, seven of this number are in Alberta.

A farewell party for Ross McFarland and Peter Kozak was held in Hedley's Hall on Wednesday evening, March 8th, when a large number of friends gathered to bid the boys good-bye. The evening was spent in singing and in a quiz game, besides enjoying a few other individual numbers. Rev. E. Longmire, who was chairman, presented Ross and Pete with a sum of money each on behalf of their Irma friends. The boys replied suitably. A lunch was then served and dancing indulged in for a short time.

SEED CLEANING

In cleaning seed grain, the number of weed seeds coming out under the fanning mill is of little importance compared with the weed seeds that are left in the finished product, says L. B. Goodall, Dominion Seed Branch. There would appear to be little excuse for small weed seeds being left in seed of the cereal grain after they have been cleaned, but seed drill surveys conducted in this and other provinces have shown that astounding numbers of small weed seeds are being sown annually with cereal grain. Because of the apparent ease with which seed cleaning should be accomplished many operators of fanning mills fail to check properly the results they are getting.

The small weed seeds in cereals have a habit of settling down out of sight, and seed that may appear to be perfectly clean when viewed in bulk may yet contain an astonishing number of small weed seeds. A check on the results being obtained should be made periodically by spreading out a sample of the cleaned seed on a sheet of paper, or other flat light colored surface, and sorting it over carefully. Care must be exercised to see that the weed is spread thinly enough so that all impurities may be observed.

THE WORLD OF WHEAT

By H. G. L. Strange

A SEED FIELD ON THE FARM

Good seed is scarcer than it has been for years. A number of seed fields did not pass inspection. Much true-to-variety seed, too, was harmed by early frosts. In addition Western seed has been in demand in Eastern Canada.

Numbers of farmers, therefore, will not be able to purchase the quantity of Registered seed, particularly of wheat, they would like to have. More and more, however, I am convinced that a splendid method for each farmer to adopt is to lay down each year a seed field on his own farm in this way:

Purchase enough Registered seed sowed in the sack to sow five acres of clean summerfallow, keep the crop separate from adjoining fields, harvest and thresh it carefully so that it does not become mixed, and either sack the seed by threshing time or put it into a clean bin. Multiply this seed the next year on a larger acreage, and then the farmer should have sufficient of the highest quality seed to sow his whole farm, and some left over to sell to his neighbors. Even this year farmers may still be able to pick up enough Registered seed to carry out at least this modest programme of a "Seed Field on the Farm."

Wedding Bells

KELLAR - PRIOR

A pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Veitch, Courtney, B.C., Thursday evening, March 2nd, when Ruby Emma, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kellar, became the bride of Raymond V. youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Prior.

The room was tastefully decorated with white streamers and flowers. The Rev. J. S. Clark, Courtenay, pastor of the United Church officiated.

The bride chose a two-piece light blue crepe dress, with matching hat, and corsage of pink carnations.

The bridesmaid, Miss Mary Kellar, sister of the bride, wore a dress of navy crepe, with matching hat and corsage of white carnations.

John Veitch, nephew of the groom, acted as best man.

The bride was given in marriage by Mr. Earl Guy.

After a honeymoon at Courtenay and Victoria, the young couple will return to Irma.

CAR AND TRUCK

LICENSES NOW BEING ISSUED

Car and truck licenses are now being issued. In the case of cars two stickers, one for the windshield and one for the rear window, will be issued bearing the same number as our last year's number. Last year's plate is to be left on the rear of your car.

Car owners who had no license last year will apply for their license in the usual manner, and the stickers will be forwarded from Edmonton. AA gas ration books will again be issued by the car license issuer immediately after you purchase your stickers. The gas ration for the present remains the same as last year. Be sure to bring your printed application form when applying for a license.



SEEDTIME and HARVEST

By DR. K. W. NEATBY

Line Elevators Farm Service

Fungicides for the control of plant diseases and for general disinfection are used on all farms. Some of the most common are the most potent and trouble-free to handle. A number of directions might be given in using either mercury salts or formalin.

Mercury fungicides such as erythron, pyrethron, and lincosin, widely used for treating grain, are excellent fungicides and should not give trouble if handled as recommended. Avoid inhaling the dust; work in a well ventilated building or outside, and wear a mask. If masks are not available, tie a clean handkerchief over the nose and mouth. Suitable masks are not expensive. After handling poisonous dusts or solutions, wash up thoroughly, especially before eating. Avoid an excess of fungicide on the hands, face or clothing. Left-over dusted grain should not be fed to livestock; it may be sown for green feed.

Formalin, an irritating and deadly poison, has been used for years by most farmers without serious trouble. They know it and handle it with the care and caution it deserves. It is a good fungicide and general disinfectant. Formalin treated grain may be fed to livestock after thorough airing. Farmers have used bluestone and lysol as general disinfectants without serious trouble, although they are poisonous. Sulphur is a good common fungicide. It is a nonpoisonous except when burned for fumigation purposes; then the fumes are both irritating and toxic.

Before using any fungicide, read carefully the directions printed on the container. Note the warning cross bones and skull, if any, and read the "antidote." If an accident occurs, call a doctor without delay. Keep all poisonous material out of reach of children. Fungicides, insecticides, and other poisons should be kept together in a box or cabinet under lock and key. Clean up and put away all utensils used for fungicide mixtures or treatments.

Always use the best fungicides. The basic rules are simple, master them, apply the treatment, and apply common sense. Do not be careless.—Contributed by Dr. P. M. Simmonds and Dr. H. W. Mead, Dominion Laboratory of Plant Pathology, Saskatoon.



LET'S HOLD FAST!

Weekly Review of Alberta Legislature

(By Stanley A. Williams)

Written Specially for The News

Edmonton, Monday, March 6—

Premier Ernest C. Manning spoke in the budget debate today, and told the House the proper solution to the problem of public financing in Canada is for the Bank of Canada to be put to the use for which it was intended, and take over the public debt of all the provinces. There would be no necessity for the Bank of Canada to charge interest on money loaned for public financing, said Mr. Manning, and if the bank had taken over Alberta's debt when the province was forced to default in 1936, in the last eight years the public principal could have been reduced by \$25,000,000 by applying the present interest appropriation on debt retirement. Even if the Bank of Canada had 1 1/2 per cent interest at the rate of 1 1/2 per cent, Alberta's debt could still have been reduced by \$15,000,000, the premier said.

A suggestion by opposition members of the Legislature that the former summer holiday period of Alberta schools, from July 1 to the Tuesday after Labor Day, be restored in schools of cities and coal mining communities was stated to be impractical by Hon. Solon E. Low, Minister of Education, when the school holiday question was under discussion Monday. The school holiday period this year is changing to the period between July 16 and September 30, inclusive, according to provisions of a bill now before the House.

A bill to provide protection against foreclosures for farmers who are now in the armed services was introduced into the House by Hon. Lucien Maynard, K.C., attorney-general. Called the Wartime Moratorium Act, the bill's provisions will be extended to farmers who may have a wife, husband, son or daughter in the armed services, provided that this relative immediately before enlistment was assisting in operating the farm. A second bill, to amend the Judicature Act, was also introduced by Mr. Maynard, and is to provide a stay of proceedings in foreclosure actions where a debtor cannot market his grain, because of lack of elevator space.

Tuesday, March 7—The budget debate was concluded in the House Tuesday evening the way for consideration of departmental estimates, by the Committee of Supply. In closing the debate, Hon. Solon E. Low, provincial treasurer, charged that the Dominion Government had shown preference to the province of Quebec in fixing the base year for allotment of liquor quotas told the House it will relieve to the provinces under wartime some 18,000 families a year of

liquor regulations. The minister said further that he was "fairly certain" that some of the eastern provinces were "tipped off" that Dominion order restricting liquor sales was coming, and therefore bought heavily from distilleries.

Wednesday March 8—Destruction of noxious weeds came up for debate under the agriculture estimates, when George MacLachlan, Independent, Pembina, asked what is being done to wipe out the sow thistle, now running wild in some parts of northern Alberta. The only real solution to the problem, Hon. D.B. MacMillan, agriculture minister, replied, is to have district agriculturist in every municipality, and hold him responsible for that municipality.

The current vote for a noxious weed destruction, \$17,470, was declared to be wholly inadequate by E. J. Martin, Independent, Peace River. He warned that unless something is done soon to cut the weeds out, much land would have to be abandoned in the province.

When a vote of \$3,000 under the Alberta Election Act was being discussed, opposition speaker voiced criticism of the government's decision not to hold a by-election in Calgary, to fill the seat vacant since the death of Premier Aberhart. E. E. Roper, C.C.F., Edmonton, said it was a violation of the law, and of the spirit of democracy, to leave a vacancy in the Assembly. Mayor Andrew Davidson, Independent, of Calgary, said that since Mr. Aberhart's death, his city has been deprived of its right to full representation by five members in the House, and that this is the first occasion since 1905, when the province was formed, that Calgary has not been represented on the executive council.

Thursday, March 9—The question of liquor restrictions came up for debate today, when Mayor Davidson introduced a resolution calling for establishment of a 3-man commission to thoroughly investigate the whole liquor restriction in Alberta. Mr. Davidson charged that it is apparent through actions both in Ottawa and in Alberta, the whole effect of the liquor restrictions is that "we are gradually getting prohibition by back-door methods."

Mr. Davidson went on to say that while Ottawa was probably guilty of the "worst kind of bungling" in handling the liquor situation, Alberta authorities were also guilty of some errors of judgment in thematter.

Discussing the free maternity hospitalization plan to be introduced in Alberta shortly, Hon. Dr. W. Cross, minister of health, told the House it will relieve to the provinces under wartime some 18,000 families a year of

Kinsella Kernels

A very enjoyable whist drive was held at the Kinsella Hotel last Wednesday evening. The proceeds went to the Red Cross.

Gunner I. Leighton, formerly of this district, and recently returned from overseas, is visiting with friends here.

AC2 Ronald Carpenter returned to Ottawa last Tuesday night after spending his furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Carpenter.

P-O Fender Smith is home for a few days' leave after completing his course in Edmonton.

We are sorry to report that Miss Joan Witts was taken to hospital on Sunday. We hope she will be home again soon.

Mr. George Carpenter entertained his friends at his birthday party on March 10th.

Mrs. Jack McKie and son, Malcolm, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Lancaster.

Miss V. Hater is home from Edmonton spending a holiday with her parents.

Kinsella, March 11—The splendid new residence occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ingolf Hoines, at the Kinsella gas camp, was officially opened last Saturday night when a large number of guests attended the "housewarming party" given by the genial host and hostess. The banquet table was tastefully arranged in the spacious basement and over 40 guests and friends sat down to a most sumptuous dinner. Assisting Mrs. Hoines in serving and arranging the dinner were Mrs. Leonard Loades and Mrs. Evan Jones.

The guests enjoyed the dinner immensely and afterwards spent the evening in cards, songs and entertainment, also inspecting the new premises. The gas camp, which is situated in a beautiful wooded area about seven miles north of Kinsella is a bee-hive of activity, and is growing in importance each year. Some of the best natural gas wells in the province are located here, and serve Edmonton and all intermediate towns with this convenient form of fuel and heat. Mr. Ingolf Hoines, who joined the firm at Viking some years ago, is now foreman of the Kinsella camp, owned by the Northwestern Utilities. His promotion was well deserved for his knowledge and practical ability shown from the time he joined the organization.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Art Horton, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. E. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Loades, Mr. and Mrs. Keith McLaren, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Loney, Fred Benford, Mr. and Mrs. Thumell, George Loper, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Brooke, L. Salverson, Ernie Wade, Dick Gares, N. Blades, Edmonton; August Forss, Rob Robson, and others.

EYES TESTED.

GLASSES FITTED

Thos. G. Dark, eyesight consultant and registered optometrist, will be at: Viking Drug, 1 to 2, Irma Drug at 4 to 5:30. Monda, March 27th.

expenditures of approximately \$50 each. He said a main purpose of the bill was to save lives, pointing out that of every 1,000 children born in hospital, seven die, whereas of every 1,000 born outside of hospitals, 22 die. "If we can increase the number going to hospitals by providing free hospitalization, it should result in the saving of many lives" the minister said.

Friday, March 10—By a vote, the House decided today that the former one-week Easter school holiday will be cut down by four days, to one day only, Easter Monday. Effect of this decision on the 1944 school year means that schools will close Thursday, April 6, and re-open Tuesday, April 11. Debate on the holiday period came up when a bill which is to set the summer vacation this year was under examination.

Church News

UNITED CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, March 19.
Irma—Sunday School—11 a.m.
Public Worship—7:30 p.m.
A hearty welcome to all.

LUTHERAN CHURCH

J. B. Stolee, Pastor
Sunday, March 19

SHARON—

Luther League Convention beginning Friday evening, March 17 continuing Saturday and Sunday.

ST. MARY'S (Anglican)

Holy Communion will be celebrated Sunday, March 19, at 2 p.m.

CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Irma Tabernacle—Bible School—2:15 p.m. Classes for all.
Gospel Service—3:30 p.m.
Hardisty—Oddfellows' Hall—Gospel Service—8:30 p.m.

A very hearty welcome to all. "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost, which He shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour."—Titus 3:5-6.

LADIES' AID HOLD "FRIENDSHIP" MEETING

One of the biggest gatherings yet attended the annual "Friendship" meeting of the Irma Ladies' Aid at the home of Mrs. McFarland, last Thursday. The highlights of the program was the making known who each secret friend had been during the year. This brought forth many peels of laughter, when in several cases, it was discovered the secret friend had been one's closest neighbor.

Plans were also made for the annual golf tournament to be held Easter Saturday, and also a start made on a possible church calendar to be got ready for next year.

WANT ADS

FOR SALE—50 bushels of good white potatoes. Apply S. Congdon, 1/2 mile south of Irma. 11a

FOR SALE—Vandagard and Gold Rain Oats free from wild Oats Germination 8%; also Barley for sale. A. E. Blackley, Phone 203. 1 in

FOR SALE—Chicken Wire in good shape; 1 Living Table. Mrs. J. Ostad. 1-in.

Sharon Luther League has the honor of being host for the Edmonton Circuit League Convention, to be held at Sharon Lutheran church, from March 17-19, inclusive.

The Royal Canadian Naval Vol. under Reserve, (Temp) need Ordinary Seamen, Assistant Cooks, Stewards, and experienced Tradesmen; Minimum age 17 1/2 years.



WITH CBC OVERSEAS

F. H. Wadsworth, of the CBC engineering division, has returned to Britain, following a furlough in Ottawa. He is attached to the CBC's Overseas Unit in London. Mr. Wadsworth is the CBC technician who flew in a recent Ruhr express bombing trip over enemy territory.

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The Allied Air Offensive

RECENT ALLIED AIR ATTACKS on Germany have reached unprecedented proportions, and there is no doubt but that the results are devastating. In all democratic countries the people have high regard for human life, and concern for human suffering, so it is not surprising that there has been, from time to time, some discussion as to whether this great air offensive against Germany is fully justified. Allied authorities have frequently stated that only objectives of military importance are bombed, but it is inevitable that in raids of this extent, some damage must be done to the surrounding area. It must be remembered that attacks against military targets are in no way similar to the terror raids which have frequently been made on Britain, and which were a feature of Hitler's conquest of Europe. Germany is at war, and it should be expected that the lives and property of people living near military objectives will be endangered.

Nazis Started Mass Bombings

It should not be forgotten that the Nazis are the aggressors in this war, and that it was they who first planned mass air raids, and undertook to totally annihilate cities. They did not hesitate to attack Rotterdam, Warsaw, Stalingrad, and many other centres of population, without mercy. They would have destroyed London completely if they had not been turned back by the Royal Air Force, and they have caused great damage to many other British cities. When legitimate targets in Britain become too difficult to approach the Germans bombed cathedrals, hospitals, schools, and other purely civilian objectives, which were without anti-aircraft protection. In spite of all this, the Germans protest when Allied planes raid cities which harbor important war industries, and are heavily defended against air attack. It has been observed that it is to our credit that there has been discussion here as to the justice of mass air raids on Germany, but consideration of the facts leaves no doubt in this respect.

Germans Must Not Be Spared

At the end of the last war the Germans sought to ease the difficulty of their situation by appealing for sympathy, and it is expected that they will again try this method of avoiding the full responsibility for their crimes against other nations. Mr. Churchill, Mr. Roosevelt, and other Allied leaders have frequently stated that these must be no relenting on our part, and that we must not pity for the German people to stand in the way of victory and a lasting peace. This war has shown too clearly the true character of the German people for us to have any choice but to defeat them on their own soil, and to let them experience some of the hardships and horrors which they have chosen to inflict on other nations twice in less than twenty-five years. It is said that German military leaders realize that this war is lost, but that they are already planning means of conserving their resources for another attempt at world domination in the years to come. If this is to be avoided, and it must be, Germany's military power must be finally crushed now, without doubt or hesitation on our part.

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you take, the medication goes straight to inflamed bronchial tubes where it soothes irritation, quiets coughing and loosens tightness and congestion. At bedtime rub Vicks VapoRub on throat, chest and back. Its poultice-vapor action works for hours to bring you added comfort while you sleep.

Give And Take

Duke Of Marlborough Get One On The French Ambassador Winston Churchill's great-grandfather, the then Duke of Marlborough, once had as his guest the French Ambassador, a cynical, disagreeable personage. "The house, the tapestries, the pictures—were they all given?" he inquired. "And the Raphael—was that the gift of the King of Prussia?" Is there anything here that was not given?"

The Duke listened to the Frenchman with growing annoyance. Finally, when he could endure the rude questioning no longer, he said, "If your Excellency will come with me, I will show you one of the glories of Blenheim which was not given."

Taking the visitor outside, he pointed to the stone trophies and the effigy of Louis XIV which adorn the south front of the house. "These," he said, "were taken, not given, by John, Duke of Marlborough, from the gates of Tournai."

To Be Planted In English Cemeteries Where Canadians Are Buried Maple trees are to be planted in English cemeteries where Canadians killed in this war are buried. J. A. Carroll, secretary of the Ontario Horticultural Association, told the association's 28th annual convention at Toronto.

Carroll said a shipment of maple seedlings was already on its way to Kew Gardens, near London, where the trees will be planted for a time and then transplanted to the cemeteries later.

HIS MOVE

Once again the sergeant was going over his instructions to a rather timid recruit taking his first turn of duty as a sentry.

"Understand this!" he snapped. "If anything moves, you shoot." "Yes, sergeant," replied the recruit, speaking firmly for once, "and if anything shoots, I move!"

Price Control And Rationing Information

Q.—Can my hairdresser raise the price of a permanent?
A.—No. The prices charged for permanent waves are the same prices that were charged during the basic period in 1941.

Q.—We have been buying baby chickens from the same supplier for years. Can they raise their prices from \$17 to \$20?
A.—Under Wartime Prices and Trade Board regulations there is no ceiling price on baby chickens.

Q.—How much notice must I give my landlord when I wish to move?
A.—If there is no lease you must give one clear month's notice if you pay your rent by the month, and one clear week's notice if you pay by the week.

Q.—Has the maple syrup ration been increased?
A.—Yes. Maple syrup may be purchased on the basis of one coupon for forty fluid ounces until May 31. After May 31 the coupon will be worth 24 fluid ounces. The value of corn, cane or any blended table syrup has been increased from 14 to 15 ounces.

Q.—Are we allowed to tear out our own ration coupons in a store, or must we give the book to the clerk to tear out the coupons himself?
A.—This is a question that is often asked. You do not have to give the book to the store clerk. You may tear out the ration coupons yourself, provided you do it in the store and in the presence of the retailer, or the clerk you are dealing with.

Please send your questions or your request for the pamphlet "Consumers' News" or the Blue Book (the book in which you keep track of your ceiling prices) mentioning the name of this paper to the nearest Wartime Prices and Trade Board office in your province.

Here's Speedy Relief For Tender, Aching, Burning Feet

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GARDEN NOTES

Seed Supplies Sufficient

While seed supplies will not be too plentiful, authorities are confident that there will be sufficient to go around. Before the war, seeds for Canadian gardens came from abroad every part of the world. Most of the old regular supplies are now out. From Canadian and United States sources must come practically all of our garden seed supplies.

Last year many Canadians tasted garden fresh vegetables for the first time in years. They came from the Victory Garden right at the door. They were amazed at how much better things tasted when grown in their own gardens. Grown quickly and picked just before cooking, vegetables are full of natural sugars and the vitamin content is, especially high.

Spacing the Rows

After the soil is worked up into fine tilth, the earliest of the vegetables may be planted. These may go in in rows from 12 inches apart and wider, depending upon the size of the mature plants. Carrots, lettuce, beets, parsnips, etc., can be planted in 12 inch rows, but beans, peas, tomatoes, corn and potatoes will need 18 to 24 inches.

If we are lucky enough to have a tractor or horse for cultivating, then of course there will have to be more space, and two to three feet between all rows is not too much. Not only because it will be very much neater, but will also make cultivation easier, the rows should be absolutely straight and all plantings done along a string. Thus planted we know where the seeds are and it will then be so easy to cultivate even before plants have started to sprout. Peas, corn and such fairly large seeds are planted about one to two inches deep—fine seed like lettuce and carrots merely pressed in.

Custom Made Flowers

Through plant breeding and natural selection, flowers have been developed to suit almost any location. There are some which prefer darkish corners. There are stockholms, etc., specially designed to scent the evening air, and hard to believe perhaps, there are things like portulaca that actually seem to thrive on neglect.

There are little, short chaps like alyssum and dwarf marigolds and lobellias specially bred to sit along the front edges of flower beds or to trim walks. There are tall hollyhocks, castor beans, ornamental sunflowers, cosmos and other giants which will make background and screen fences.

Y.M.C.A. Van

Two British Women Serve Tea Right Up On The Front Line In Italy Right up near the Fifth Army front in Italy is a little Y.M.C.A. van and two British women—serving tea! As they drive to the front line, military police salute them and wave them through traffic jams, Canadian Y.M.C.A. headquarters learned.

They are brown-haired Lady Brocklehurst, wife of Colonel Sir Philip Brocklehurst, Cheshire, and her co-volunteer, Mrs. de la Pole Holland. Both are getting battle-hardened for serving tea to clamorous British troops makes it difficult to keep an eye on the battle-darkened sky at the same time.

Lady Brocklehurst was the first Y.M.C.A. woman in Italy. She gate-crashed into Sicily and there helped herself to a German radio van in Catania.

It is in this van that she has poured more than 1,200 cups of tea. The van follows the British front line troops on the Fifth Army front and has now been adopted by a division and given the right to carry the divisional sign.

Lady Brocklehurst, in her green windbreaker and issue stockings rolled down as ankle socks, is almost as well known as a general.

"I think they would let us through the German lines to get a cup of tea," she said. They are great boys, and will be like anything to get an extra cup. They steal your tin mugs but come up smiling. They thrive on action—and on tea—and it is a joy to serve them."

Prairie Flowers

Classified List Of Plant Life In Manitoba Is Prepared

Among the different lines of research carried on at the University of Manitoba is that in the field of Botany, and Mr. Charles W. Lowe, assistant professor of Botany, has produced an impressive, classified list of all plant life in Manitoba. He names 1,400 flowers and ferns.

First in the estimation of Manitoba people is the Prairie Anemone, a beautiful flower, but also the herald of spring, which is a consideration. Professor Lowe's list is full of impossible scientific names, but the common names are also given and the habitat of each plant, in one or other of the five vegetation regions of the province, each with its own characteristics of soil and plant life.

Everyone is delighted to see the wild flowers in the woods and on the prairie in the springtime, but those who pride themselves on the number of wild flowers they can identify, may be interested to know that the late Norman Cridde found and named 400 within ten miles of his home in western Manitoba.

Professor Lowe's work is a creditable piece of research with definite scientific value. — Winnipeg Free Press.

Asthma Suffering Curbed 7 Years

Seven years ago J. Richards, 201 East 23rd St., Hamilton, Ont. was asthmatic, lost weight, suffered coughing, choking, wheezing every night. He couldn't sleep. Asthma-Tabs cured his asthma promptly and he has been free of the cough and wheezing for almost 7 years ago. To prove Asthma-Tabs cure, write him for a \$1.00 package of Asthma-Tabs free. No cost, no obligation. Just tell others if it stops your asthma attacks. Write: Knox Company, 6074 Knox Bldg., Port Erie, N.W. Ont., for free Asthma-Tabs.

Tumbling Mustard

Single Plant May Bear As Many As 1,500,000 Seeds Tumbling mustard was first introduced into the Prairie Provinces from central and southern Europe about 1887. Each pod contains about 120 seeds and a single plant has been known to bear about 1,500,000 seeds. When the seeds are ripe, the whole head breaks off and is blown across the prairie, scattering seeds far and wide. As the seeds are not easily shed from the tough pods, a head may be blown about the prairie for a whole winter, dropping a few seeds at intervals for many miles.

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A Main Course Without Meat

How is the "meat situation" at your house? We must not forget that rationing and shortage can never be used as an excuse for failing to measure up to the family's food requirements.

Meals are built about main course dishes—the vegetables and dessert are planned to round out a meal which takes its character from the main interest—and for a very good reason too. Foods of this type belong in any well-balanced menu as they provide an important part of the protein needed by everyone, every day.

Proteins are needed for the growth and repair of the human body. Proteins are not alike, and in general, protein made from animal sources is more efficient than that from vegetables—milk protein has all the essential parts. The vegetables richest in protein are dried peas and beans. If you can combine these excellent foods with milk, you will have achieved a protein dish that will worthily substitute for the meat of the main course.

Here's a recipe the family will enjoy eating and that you can serve with satisfaction.

BAKED LIMAS

2½ cups dried lima beans
1 cup dried celery
2 tablespoons chopped onion
5 tablespoons chopped green pepper
2 dried hard-cooked eggs (if possible)

2 cups milk
3 tablespoons butter
4 tablespoons flour
1½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon pepper

Wash beans, cover with cold water, and let stand overnight. Add salt, cook till tender and drain. Cook celery in small amount of boiling water till tender. Cook the onion and green pepper in the butter till tender but not browned in the flour, salt, and pepper and gradually add the milk. Cook, stirring constantly till the mixture is thickened and smooth. Add the beans, celery and eggs. Turn into greased dish and bake for ½ hour in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.). Will serve eight.

SMILE AWHILE

Alice: "What makes you think your new photographs are so horrid?"
Gladys: "All my girl friends ask for one, and my male friends don't."

"I hear there are twins at the Bates' house. Boys or girls?"
"I think one's a boy and the other a girl—but it may be the other way round."

Father: There's plenty of time for our daughter to think of getting married. Let her wait until the right man comes along.
Mother: Why should she? I didn't.

Employer (interviewing applicant for job): "Know anything about electricity?"
Sir: "What's an armature?"
"A chap who boxes for nothing."

Missionary: "Poor man! So you know nothing of religion."
Cannibal: "Ah, yes. We got a taste of it when the last missionary was here."

Widower: You are the sixth girl to whom I have proposed without avail.
Girl: Well, maybe if you wear one when making your seventh proposal, you'll have better luck.

"No," snapped the old man, as he scanned the menu. "I won't have any mushrooms, waiter. I was nearly poisoned by them here last week."

The waiter leaned confidently across the table.
"Is that really so, sir?" he said, blandly. "Then I've won my bet with the cook."

Scott: "I want to rent a horse."
Groom: "How long?"
Scott: "Longest you got—there are five of us going."

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Four scholarships to enable women graduates of universities in the British Dominions to spend a year's research into wartime conditions in the United Kingdom have been offered by the British Council for 1944-45. It was announced recently by the registered office, University of Toronto. The scholarships, valued at \$300, will be open to qualified women graduates in any research field.

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Net earnings after providing for all charges including depreciation and depletion, but before taxes, amounted to \$551,625.20. Provision for taxes requires a deduction of \$316,000.00 or 72 cents per share, leaving a net addition to surplus account of \$235,625.20 or 53 cents per share.

The liquid position continues to be satisfactory and working capital comparison is as follows:

	1942	1941
Cash	\$143,435.09	\$303,193.21
Domestic Accounts Receivable	\$250,000.00	\$150,000.00
Accounts Payable	\$175,000.00	\$150,000.00
Investments	\$183,700.00	\$200,000.00
	\$2,181,940.23	\$2,506,670.51

Current Liabilities, \$727,165.61 \$757,712.02

Net Working Capital \$1,454,774.62 \$1,748,958.49

Company bonds to the value of \$219,500.00 were purchased during the year and capital expenditures amounted to \$30,749.98.

Surplus now stands at \$1,240,500.08 compared with \$1,004,934.48 at November 30, 1942.

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think of that he'd want, but I can't find the right thing."

"Do you mean, Aunt Jennie, that you've really seen Uncle Perley in the cellar since his death?"

"I didn't actually see him, because I didn't dare to go down," Aunt Jennie explained. "But I saw his shadow on the top of the stairs, as plain as I see you; and he looked so droopy and sad."

"Now, Auntie dear," Ruth said briskly, "If I don't do another thing all summer, I'm going to find the natural explanation for this. Tomorrow we'll explore that cellar."

The search next day offered no solution to the mystery. The cellar was a large eerie room, its windows, open to the air, securely screened. The furnace, Aunt Jennie's jam closet, old garments and carefully tied bags hanging from nails in the beams were the sum total of its contents.

"You see," Aunt Jennie pointed out, the outside door is bolted; the screens are nailed tight. No one could get in except from the kitchen, and I'm there all the time. I've had the walls whitened, the electric wiring all gone over, the chimney cleaned; I can't think what's left to do—but there's something."

The days passed pleasantly, but when night came Aunt Jennie was uneasy, and the light in the cellar was regularly turned on. But though Ruth kept a watchful eye from the top of the stairs, the nights passed with nothing unusual appearing.

One day a wind arising at sundown increased in volume and intensity until, at bedtime, the house was creaking and shaking in the grip of a northeast gale. Ruth, opening the cellar door to make her routine inspection, was about to turn away when a man's shadow suddenly appeared on the wall. It advanced quickly, hesitated, and then drew back. Ruth felt her knees grow weak. "You saw it?" whispered her aunt.

"Aunt Jennie," Ruth said, "I'm going down."

"No, No!" Aunt Jennie protested wildly, but Ruth with a palpitating heart went down the steps. Presently a strong gust of wind whistling through the east window, blew across the cellar. A large bag of hops, suspended from the ceiling, swung out in front of the light. It cast a manlike shadow on the white wall.

Ruth called, "Come here, Aunt Jennie. I want to show you something."

Her aunt came down hesitantly. Ruth pulled the bag of hops over before the light. "Look, here's the ghost," she said. "The wind pushes this bag out in front of the light; see? This bunch of hops makes the head, and those rags hanging down look like arms."

"Lord bless me, so it is!" Aunt Jennie admitted joyfully. "That old bag of dried hops! They're so nice for yeast, you know. Well, well! Of course that's it! Perley was always down against saving the hops; he said it encouraged people to make booze. I remember he even said once, joking like, that if I raised hops when he was gone he'd come back and haunt me! And I'd clean forgot. Well, now, poor Perley can rest."

She raised the bag, and the string slipped off the nail.

"But, Aunt Jennie, don't you see that this explains it all away?" Ruth ventured.

"Yes, it explains it all right," Aunt Jennie said happily. "Ruthie, you've done something wonderful for your auntie. And you know a lot about a lot of things. But I know Perley!"

Weeping willows in England and North America owe their existence to a willow basket sent from Smyrna to England. The basket, sprouted and grew into a fine tree on the banks of the Thames.

"Yes, dear," Aunt Jennie fledged with her handkerchief, and her hands trembled.

"I think you're run down, Aunt Jennie. You're as thin as a rail," Ruth offered sympathetically.

"Ruth, dear," she said, "I may as well tell you what's wrong. It's... it's not Perley's passing away that's killing me. If... if... I... I... I'm resting in peace... I could be happy. But... but he's not. Oh, Ruth, poor Perley's walking!" She sobbed violently.

"Mercy, Aunt Jennie!" Ruth exclaimed in consternation. "What on earth makes you think that?"

"Oh, it isn't thinking. I know he is," Aunt Jennie asserted firmly. "Tut!"

Aunt Jennie smiled a little. "You young people—there are some things you can change, but there are some you can't." She shook her head sadly. "Perley and me," she went on, "were happy, and got along smooth and serene enough for 35 years. Of course he was awful set in some of his ideas; things had to be just a certain way; if they weren't he had no peace till they were. I know, just as sure as I sit in this chair, that what's disturbing him now is that there's something I should put right and I'm not doing it. But for the life of me I can't think what it is."

"Aunt Jennie!"

"Oh, yes. You don't know how stubborn your uncle was. My neglecting something that he wanted done would bring him back, all right."

"How did you get this idea, Auntie?" Ruth asked.

"Well... Aunt Jennie leaned forward in a whisper. "Three different times I... he, well, you might say appeared to me! In the cellar. Late at night he came... and moved around, hesitating like, but never made a sound. I always kept the cellar light on now. I've done everything down there I can

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THE PRINTED WORD

Father Branch Publishes Nine Weekly Papers In Southern Saskatchewan

A little more than 10 years ago a young man from Burnville, N.B., came west to the dismal drought-stricken area of Saskatchewan centered on Gravelbourg. He was a newly-ordained priest of the Catholic church and his main work was to be among the young people, mainly young lads of Boy Scout age.

This young man, Fr. J. E. Branch, promised to stay in the Gravelbourg area one year to organize the youth of the country. Ten years later, today for that matter, he has a flourishing troop of Boy Scouts and, as a result of finding an old battered printing press in a basement which started the scouts on a publishing venture, Fr. Branch is now the director and editor of nine weekly newspapers in southern Saskatchewan. They are the Prairie Optimist, La Fleche Press, Val Marie Bulletin, Pinto Creek Star, Willowbank Beacon, Creelman Gazette, Rockglen Recorder, Cornsack Courier and the Cadillac Herald—also some monthly publications which deal with other fields. Not only has Fr. Branch spread himself in the world of the printed word. He is also a growing force with the spoken word through a radio program well known to 60,000 listeners.

All this, as Fr. Branch himself has said, from a little old "battered printing press, almost out of sight in a basement. It was an idea that set his mind to work. The idea was to give his troop of Boy Scouts something to do, something that would be creative.

To use words written by Fr. Branch about the event, when the scouts were homeward bound from school, they noticed at the rear of the small scout hall a few men working. They were tugging and pushing the old pedal-driven Gordon press into the scout room. The next day was very cold but an effort was made to run the press, but the ink froze and would not make an impression. Aided by the warm sun of the next day, they got the machine to work and printed a small sheet of information that was distributed to the scouts.

Orders for printing came in and the scouts had something to do, the something that Fr. Branch had visioned. Type was obtained nearby and in a 5x8 garage a business began with scouts as the operators.

In 1937 the first issue of the Dry Belt Weekly was printed, the first of the weekly papers under the direction of Fr. Branch. It rained and the name was changed to the Wheat Belt Weekly. Later it became the Prairie Optimist, the name it carries today. Today the nine weekly and other papers are printed in a well-selected plant, a former store that had been boarded up, due to business failures. The scouts stuck with Fr. Branch, learned the art of typesetting and printing, and several of them are now serving in the navy, army, air force or auxiliaries.

Fr. Branch, in summarizing his efforts in producing the printed word, said: "What I consider as one of my best contributions to the district, as a Canadian citizen, is the organization of a business that created well-paid employment and a trade, for a few dozen young men."

In 1942 Fr. Branch turned to the spoken word and aided by his press fought against a rising tide of discontent, distrust and disunity, to use his own words. Each week he is on the air on a Tuesday night with a "War Morale" talk and these talks are printed in pamphlet form under the title, "Our Way of Life." The leadership which, as he says, he dared to take alone, has resulted in a li-

SUGGESTS REMODELLING GOOD PRAIRIE HOBBY

(One of a series of articles about your community lumber merchant, by F. C. Pickwell, well-known western newspaper writer)

Many families in Canada and the United States have made a fascinating hobby of remodelling buildings and old homesteads within recent years. Judging by photographic illustrations of fine results they made a surprisingly good job of the undertakings. Some men and women have a unique gift for that sort of thing, embodying a combination of architecture, construction work and landscape artistry. The undeveloped genius of home lovers thus blossoms in all its beauty. The desired setting generally hedges around romantic or

and money permits. Any new material required is available at the local lumber yard at surprisingly low cost. The rest is largely spare-time work and individual initiative by members of the household. Few lack the inherent impulse to remodel and beautify their home.

What would you suggest as logical initial developments, from a practical and artistic viewpoint, based on your experience in community buildings as compared with modern improvements in cities?

"With the possible exception of water and sewage the city enjoys little that towns and country homes cannot have. The majority are now supplied with electricity, and even have their private water system in residences and farm buildings—an important development of recent years."

"New modern city homes now aim at elimination of waste space. Attics and attics are frequently finished and furnished with the same care as other parts of the house and used for various purposes by the family. Insulation of walls and ceilings to a greater extent, coupled with air conditioning system is another improvement."

But how about the availability of necessary material and technical advice for such work in community centres throughout Western Canada?

"That is no longer a problem. Every local dealer who is a member of the Western Retail Lumbermen's Ass'n, either has a stock of material on hand for all work, or can secure it on short notice. In addition to lumber, several members of the association specialize in attractive supplies for the interior. Much of this not only insures ideal insulation, but a very nice finish to any room. Detailed information and technical advice may be secured on application to any community lumber merchant."

"Several inexpensive exterior additions also suggest themselves, such as a new sunroom or veranda, a re-modelled front entrance, a pergola or garden swing, bird houses and other features for our winged friends, thus providing an added charm to any home environment."

Some of these suggestions are illustrated in this article, in the hope that remodelling may become more widespread and a household art. It is worth while from every standpoint.

Architects who have specialized in remodelling old houses suggest two important essentials. First, study the possibilities for rejuvenating a home, and then put into the rejuvenation all the hard work and careful attention to detail necessary to make it an attractive property.

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promise may be reached. There are many picturesque locations in Western Canada where airplanes replace automobiles to a greater extent than it would mean so much. It is not suggested that old homesteads, filled with sentiment and cherished memories, should be remodeled beyond recognition. But to preserve historic buildings rebels occasionally against the idea of seeing much of the old destroyed or severely neglected. These historic landmarks should be kept alive in some attractive form as an inspirational community influence. Lower Fort Garry on the Red River provides a striking example of what can be done in a large way.

Palling the means or inclination to erect a new home, what is the best alternative? That question was submitted to the Building department of the Western Retail Lumbermen's Ass'n, Winnipeg, when this series of articles were under consideration. Their prompt response was:

"Keep what you have in the best possible state of preservation. That means periodical repainting of good paint more frequently, and occasional remodelling jobs as time

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tending audience spreading beyond the confines of the province borders.

Ten years ago this young man from Burnville, N.B., decided to remain one year in the drought area. The "will to do" has kept him there 10 years and he shows no signs of weakening.—By Fred Cruick in Regina Leader-Post.

ANOTHER IDEA

The germ that has stamped the experts has been explained anew. Two Swedish professors think it possible that "flu" epidemics have been started by bacteria pushed by the power of the sun's rays to the earth—from other planets.

A study of 1,000 fatal and disabling accidents by the National Safety Council showed carelessness to be the cause in 48 per cent. of the cases.

IN ANCIENT TIMES

The ancient Greeks and Romans used the seeds of the horse bean (broad beans) for making bread, cakes, and porridge. The horse bean is still used in certain parts of Europe for food as well as fodder.

The word "communism" first was coined in a "secret revolutionary societies of Paris between 1834 and 1839.

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LOCALS

Hove you made your contribution to the Red Cross yet? There is still time for you to do so.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fenton are visiting their two daughters at Regina and Indian Head, Sask., for a couple of weeks.

Mr. J. C. McLean has purchased the old creamery property in Irma and has started to tear down a part of the building in preparation for building a house.

Mr. Leslie Elliott of the RCAF, and Mrs. Elliott an little daughter, Leona, were home on furlough visiting their parents and relatives, and returned to Edmonton on Monday evening.

W.C.T.U. meeting Thursday afternoon, March 23. This is an important meeting as it has to do with arrangements in connection with the finals of the local S.T.I. contest in Irma and surrounding schools.

The W.A. of St. Mary's Church (Anglican) are holding a St. Patrick's Tea on Saturday, March 18th, between the hours of 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; also a few aprons will be on sale.

The usual grand crowd to fill 14 tables turned out last Saturday night (in spite of the cold) to the L.O.B.A. whist drive. The competition for the ladies was very keen, Mrs. Shotts and Mrs. Herbert tying for first place, while Mr. Chas. Coffin was away out front for the men. In the consolation event Verna Webb was low score for ladies, while her father, Mr. R. Herbert, got the men's low. A delicious lunch was served, and the singing of "The King," brought another jolly time to a close. The last event in this series will be held on Saturday, March 25th.

AUCTION SALE DATES

April 5—Mont View, Irma.



Seven or eight years ago, a distinguished authority on insects stated that, in Western Canada, we need never worry about insect damage in our stored grain. Most authorities are occasionally wrong, and he was no exception.

It is not our purpose to spread false alarm, but merely to draw attention to the defensive measures at our disposal. In guarding against losses due to insects in farm stored grain, we have three powerful allies. They are: a cold climate, a dry climate and a very efficient Division of Entomology in the Dominion Department of Agriculture. Despite these advantages losses have been suffered and will continue unless the necessary precautions are observed.

The best prevention against loss is storing only dry grain, and keeping it dry by means of ventilated granaries which exclude rain and snow and which are constructed so as to provide an air space between the floor and the ground. As added insurance, it is wise to bin grain during cold weather or move it and, if possible clean it, during very cold weather.

If storing tough grain is unavoidable, it should be examined regularly and, at the first sign of heating or infestation by mites or insects, it should be run through a fanning mill, threshing machine or combine.

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VIKING ITEMS

Canadian Oil Companies, Ltd., entertained almost 50 of their customers and friends at a Show and Dance, Friday evening, March 3rd, at the Viking Elks' Hall, under the chairmanship of Harold Atkinson, of Viking.

A cartoon and travelogue were shown first, followed by a short address by Mr. J. H. Ristow, Office, Calgary, outlining the history of the company. Next shown were a beautiful film, "Oil, the Servant of Man," showing the company's modern refinery, and a review of the company's operations, across Canada. The main feature was The White Rose Savit Service film, "Dr. Oil and Mr. Sludge," followed by an address, given by the main speaker of the evening, Mr. G. R. Archibald, Edmonton, District Manager of Northern Alberta. The topic was the new scientific marvel of White Rose Solv and Tune, which frees internal combustion engines of sludge, carbon, varnish and other detrimental by-products. Following this address, the Branch Agent and the dealers for this area were introduced to the audience. Then a very interesting farm film, named "At Your Command," was shown, followed by the Attendance Prize Draw, at which valuable prizes were given away.

After refreshments had been served by the Catholic Women's League, the well talented Viking 6 piece High School orchestra played for the dance, which lasted until 3:30 a.m.

A most enjoyable evening was had by all, young and old. First prize winners at draw: Mr. Fred Hanson, Mr. A. Strell, Mr. G. F. Merta, Mr. Steve Rutar, Mr. A. R. Maxes, Mrs. I. Ericson, Mr. M. Lausten, Miss Doris Subchuk, Mr. Harry Child.

Mrs. Allan Jones was the guest of honor last Tuesday evening at the Kelly home when Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Pickering were hostess at a surprise shower. The evening was spent in contests which were won by the Misses Stella Hafso and Nellie Gares. Community singing was enjoyed, and Mrs. Horton gave a humorous reading after which little "Bunny" Jacobson presented a basket of gifts to Mrs. Jones, who thanked the ladies most graciously.

Mrs. Finn, Mrs. Jacobson, Mrs. Thunell and Mrs. Slavik assisted the hostess in serving delightful refreshments.

Mrs. Hall has returned from a pleasant two months' visit in Vancouver and other coast points. Chas. Haselove and Dan Descheneau and crew are busy hauling ice from Camp Lake for the Viking Co-operative Creamery.

The local men's bonspiel was postponed for two days last week one day for hot weather, and the next for the snow storm. Play began again Monday evening.

M. Lausten injured himself about the head last Saturday when he fell on some slippery ice near this premises last Saturday. He was taken to the hospital for medical treatment.

Postmaster E. Primett is leaving on Thursday for Ottawa to attend a conference of postal officials from each province in the Dominion. He expects to be away about two weeks.

Gordon Stalker was a visitor in Edmonton the latter part of the week.

RESULTS LADIES' MIXED 'SPIEL

Grand Challenge... 1st—Mrs. Loney. 2nd—Verna Hardy. 3rd—Mrs. Thunell. 4th—Ruth McLaren.

Northwestern Utilities 1st—Mrs. Slavik. 2nd—Mrs. Gilpin. 3rd—Mrs. Kelly. 4th—Mrs. Harney.

Black Out 1st—Mrs. McGregor. 2nd—Mrs. Pickering. 3rd—Mrs. Brimacombe.

Ash Can 1st—Mrs. Spencer. 2nd—Mrs. Rake. 3rd—Mrs. Jacobson.

Island is named for Railway Detective

An island in the South Pacific now bears the name of a Canadian National Railway employee in recognition of an heroic exploit. It is Devine Island in the New Georgia group named after Lt.-Col. James W. Devine, of Portland, Maine, a former police officer who on leave of absence from the Investigation Department of the National System.

For more than twenty years prior to the outbreak of war and while on the Railway's staff, Colonel Devine was a member of the Maine National Guard as a first lieutenant. At his induction he was promoted to captain and assigned as commanding officer to the U.S. Army Service Company, 108th Infantry, 3rd Division, Quebec, later moving to Doring, Maine, where he joined the Canadian National Railway as a call boy in 1910, transferring to the Railway's Investigation Department in 1922. Colonel Devine utilized his annual vacations from railroading to pursue special military courses in Maine's National Guard.

A fine record has been set up by men from the Canadian National Railway Investigation Department, according to Geo. A. Shea, the Director, who reports that from the Forces in Canada and the United States nearly one hundred men have obtained leave of absence to join the armed forces of both countries. Of that number a considerable proportion have gained commissions in the Canadian Paratroopers. While the greater number are in the army and air forces, a surprisingly large number of the Railway security forces are now in the Canadian and U.S. navies.

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